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SUBJECT: US TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

1. EAST ASIA PACIFIC WIRELESS FILE OCTOBER 21 CONTAINED
INTERVIEW OF AMBASSADOR EDWARD MARTIN BY IPS STAFF WRITER
JOHN HOLWAY ENTITLED QTE US FOOD RESERVE PLAN DESCRIBED
UNQTE. INTERVIEW CONTAINS FOLLOWING QUESTION AND ANSWER:

Q. SECSTATE KISSINGER CALLED EARLIER FOR AN EXPANDED
TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM, AND YET THAT VERY PROGRAM WAS
PRETTY WELL KILLED IN CONGRESS RECENTLY; DOESN'T
THAT HANDICAP US GOING INTO THE (WORLD FOOD) CONFERENCE?

A. IF IT WERE RALLY KILLED IT WOULD HANDICAP US BUT I DON'T
THINK IT HAS BEEN KILLED, ITS MY UNDERSTANDING, ALTHOUGH
THESE THINGS CHANGE FROM DAY TO DAY, THAT ITS HOPED THAT
THE FOREIGN AID APPROPRIATION FOR THIS FY WILL BE APPROVED
BY CONGRESS WHEN IT RETURNS AFTER NOVEMBER ELECTION.....

2. FONOFF REP (NISHIMURA, PLANNING DIVISION, ECONOMIC
COOPERATION BUREAU) INQUIRED OCTOBER 29 RE MEANING OF
ABOVE PASSAGE AND STATUS US TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE
PROGRAMS. EMBASSY'S UNDERSTANDING IS THAT USAID REQUESTS
FUNDING FOR FUNCTIONAL CATEGORIES (IE FOOD AND NUTRITION)
WHICH DO NOT INCLUDE QTE TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE UNQTE
AS EXPLICIT CATEGORY OR PROGRAM. EMBASSY WOULD APPRECIATE
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CONFIRMATION OR CORRECTION OF THIS UNDERSTANDING AND

AN FURTHER CLARIFICATION OF ABOVE QUESTION AND
ANSWER WHICH WE COULD PASS ON TO FONOFF.
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